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## FOREST & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

### NOTIFICATION

The 28th December 2012

**S.R.O. No. 14/2013**— Government have been pleased to adopt the system of working of bamboo in the forests during the current year 2012–2013 working season as per the following arrangements :—

1. Wherever Forest Rights for bamboo have been granted to the local community under the F.R. Act, the Forest Right Holders concerned will be free to harvest the product and sell it to any buyer of their choice. Forest Right Holders will be required to take up bamboo cutting scientifically for which field officials of Forest & Environment Department will extend the requisite support. Transit permit will be issued by the Gram Sabha for which permit books will be supplied by the Forest Department free of cost. The Scheduled Tribe and Scheduled Caste Development Department with technical support of the Forest & Environment Department will make arrangement for assisting the community in preparation of Micro Plan for harvesting of bamboo. In areas where Community Rights have been granted or applied for in respect of bamboo, the OFDC may take up the operations only on the request of the Community and the value of the harvested bamboo will be passed onto the Community after deducting the working cost.

2. In the areas where Forest Rights have not been granted or applied for, the OFDC will take up the operation of bamboo working directly without involving Raw Material Procurers (RMPs). The OFDC may dispose of the bamboo through e-auction, advance sale or any other appropriate transparent method. The amount of royalty payable by the OFDC will be linked up with the actual sale value realised by the Corporation.

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By order of the Governor

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